

Application No. 09/558,266

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

In the Specification

Please substitute the following amended paragraph(s) and/or section(s) (deleted matter is shown by strikethrough and added matter is shown by underlining):

At page 30, line 27 to page 31, line 2, please substitute the paragraph with the following. Note that this paragraph was previously amended in the Amendment dated October 18, 2001 and in the Amendment dated April 15, 2003.

Furthermore, ~~lithium~~ manganese oxide nanoparticles have been produced by laser pyrolysis along with subsequent heat processing, as described in copending and commonly assigned U.S. Patent Applications Serial No. 09/188,768, now U.S. Patent 6,607,706, entitled "Composite Metal Oxide Particles," Serial No. 09/203,414, now U.S. Patent 6,136,287, entitled "Lithium Manganese Oxides and Batteries," and 09/334,203, now U.S. Patent 6,482,374 to Kumar et al., entitled "Reaction Methods for Producing Ternary Particles," all three of which are incorporated herein by reference.